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NEWS RELEASE

Acting United States Attorney Laurie Magid today announced the filing of a one-count indictment¹ charging Troy Layne with possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Under federal law, convicted felons are prohibited from possessing firearms. The indictment alleges that on May 2, 2008, Layne possessed a Springfield Armory, Model XD, .40 caliber handgun, loaded with seven rounds of ammunition.

This indictment is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, an initiative by the United States Attorney's Office, all District Attorney's Offices in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Philadelphia Police Department and other law enforcement agencies, to identify and prosecute firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendants are likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction. Defendant Layne faces a maximum sentence of 10 years imprisonment, up to 3 years supervised release, a \$250,000 fine and a \$100 special assessment.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Troy Layne	Philadelphia, PA	32

This case was investigated by the Philadelphia Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Sarah L. Grieb.

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